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TO: HENRY A. KISSINGER FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT

THE STAFF MEETING THIS MORNING WAS BRIEF. ASH ANNOUNCED THAT THE ALASKA PIPELINE BILL WOULD BE APPROVED TODAY, TOGETHER WITH SOME NON-GERMAIN RIDERS WHICH ARE VERY DISTURBING TO OMB. WITH THE ENERGY MESSAGE COMING OUT TONIGHT, HOWEVER, THE PRESIDENT CAN MARDLY VETO IT. JOHN LOVE REVIEWED THE SCHEDULE FOR ENERGY TODAY, WHICH INCLUDES, BESIDES THE LEADERSHIP MEETING, A MEETING OF MAYORS AND GOVERNORS AND ONE OF BUSINESS AND LABOR LEADERS. A SHORT DISCUSSION ENSUED ON SOME OF THE POINTS IN THE ENERGY MESSAGE AND, AS IN THE CABINET MEETING YESTERDAY, NO TWO PEOPLE AGREED ON ANY INDIVIDUAL ITEM.

TIMMONS DISCUSSED THE CHANCES OF SUSTAINING THE VETO OF THE WAR POWERS BILL IN THE HOUSE TODAY (WE SUBSEQUENTLY LOST BY FIVE VOTES).

THE MEETING CONCLUDED WITH FLANIGAN POINTING DUT THAT HOWELL'S DEFEAT FOR GOVERNOR IN VIRGINIA WAS HELPFUL BECAUSE HE HAD RIDDEN WATERGATE VERY HARD FOR THE LAST SEVERAL WEEKS.

WARM REGARDS.

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